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RE: Docket Number 98P-0151/CP1

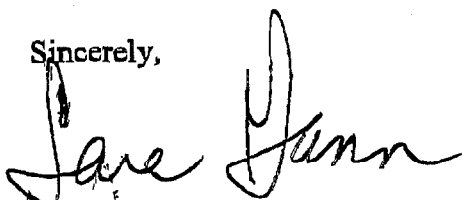
Dear FDA:

I am writing to express support for the petition filed with the US FDA (Docket Number 98P-0151/CP1), to completely prohibit the slaughter of downed animals. Downed animals have traditionally been cruelly treated by the livestock industry, which drags injured animals to the slaughterhouse instead of humanely euthanizing them.

By cutting out the market for downed animals, which has included Federal programs including the National School Lunch Program, the livestock industry will have more of an incentive to treat animals humanely, euthanizing "downed animals" on-farm, and more importantly, preventing the injuries that cause "downed animals" in the first place.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



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